

Sample 1000 General Population Respondents  
Conducted May 8-11, 2010  
Margin of Error  $\pm 3.4\%$

## 1. How do you feel about increased drilling for oil and natural gas offshore in U.S. waters?

Strongly favor .....	29%
Mildly favor .....	20%
Mildly oppose .....	14%
Strongly oppose .....	20%
Not sure .....	17%

## 2. How much have you heard or read about the recent explosion on an offshore oil rig off the coast of Louisiana that killed 11 workers and resulted in an oil spill of about 5,000 barrels a day?

A lot .....	66%
A little .....	29%
Nothing at all .....	5%

## 3. How much have you heard or read about the attempted car bombing in New York's Times Square on May 1st and the arrest of Faisal Shahzad in connection with the incident?

A lot .....	61%
A little .....	30%
Nothing at all .....	9%

## 4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way U.S. law enforcement officials have handled the investigation into the attempted Times Square bombing and the arrest of the suspected bomber? (Asked if respondent is aware of attempted Times Square bombing)

Strongly approve .....	34%
Somewhat approve .....	29%
Neither approve, nor disapprove .....	27%
Somewhat disapprove .....	6%
Strongly disapprove .....	4%

5. Do you think the man suspected of attempting to detonate a car bomb in Times Square acted alone, or did he coordinate the attack with a terrorist group? (Asked if respondent is aware of attempted Times Square bombing)

Definitely acted alone .....	1%
Probably acted alone .....	8%
Hard to say .....	27%
Probably coordinated with terrorist group .....	41%
Definitely coordinated with terrorist group .....	22%

6. Which of these statements is closer to your own opinion? (Asked if respondent is aware of attempted Times Square bombing)

There will probably be more attempts to detonate car bombs in the U.S in the near future. ....	88%
This was a random attempt and is not likely to be repeated in the near future. ....	12%

7. Faisal Shahzad, who has been arrested for the attempted Times Square bombing, was born in Pakistan but is a naturalized U.S. citizen. Now that he has been arrested, should he be treated as a U.S. citizen, with the rights the Constitution gives citizens, or should he be treated as an enemy combatant, without any of those rights?

Should be treated as a U.S. citizen .....	41%
Should be treated as an enemy combatant .....	48%
Not sure .....	11%

8. Are we safer from terrorist attacks now than we were in 2001?

Much more safe .....	8%
Somewhat more safe .....	27%
About the same .....	30%
Somewhat less safe .....	10%
Much less safe .....	18%
Not sure .....	7%

9. What do you think are the chances of a terrorist attack against the United States in the next 12 months?

Very likely (more than 50%) .....	35%
Somewhat likely (10% to 50%) .....	40%
Not very likely (1% to 10%) .....	15%
Very unlikely (less than 1%) .....	2%
Not sure .....	9%

10. Which party do you think would do a better job in preventing terrorist attacks in the future?

Democrats .....	23%
Republicans .....	29%
About the same .....	47%

11. Which comes closer to your view?

In the long run, the U.S. will be safer from terrorism if it confronts the countries and groups that promote terrorism .....	54%
In the long run, the U.S. will be safer from terrorism if it stays out of other countries' affairs .....	46%

12. Do you think the policies of the Obama Administration have made the United States more or less safe from terrorism?

More safe .....	29%
No effect .....	39%
Less safe .....	33%

13. Do you think the policies of the Bush Administration have made the United States more or less safe from terrorism?

More safe .....	33%
No effect .....	27%
Less safe .....	40%

14. Compared with other American citizens, do you think Arab Americans are...

More patriotic .....	3%
About as patriotic .....	56%
Less patriotic .....	41%

15. How much discrimination do the following groups face in America today?

	A great deal	A fair amount	Not much	None at all
Arab Americans	43%	34%	17%	6%
Asian Americans	7%	27%	49%	17%
African Americans	18%	35%	35%	12%
Mexican Americans	31%	38%	24%	7%

16. Below are some issues facing the country. For each one, indicate whether you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling that issue.

	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	No Opinion
The war in Iraq	13%	31%	21%	22%	13%
The economy	16%	26%	12%	38%	8%
Immigration	7%	23%	17%	36%	16%
The environment	13%	30%	17%	22%	17%
Terrorism	14%	28%	14%	30%	14%
Gay rights	10%	24%	14%	24%	27%
Education	17%	28%	16%	21%	18%
Health care	21%	22%	10%	38%	8%
Social security	12%	22%	14%	31%	21%
The budget deficit	12%	24%	13%	40%	12%
The war in Afghanistan	12%	32%	19%	22%	14%
Taxes	14%	26%	12%	37%	12%

17. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Very Important	Unimportant
The war in Iraq	40%	41%	16%	3%
The economy	80%	17%	3%	1%
Immigration	50%	32%	14%	4%
The environment	49%	34%	13%	5%
Terrorism	62%	29%	7%	2%
Gay rights	22%	28%	24%	26%
Education	62%	28%	7%	2%
Health care	71%	23%	5%	2%
Social security	60%	29%	9%	2%
The budget deficit	61%	31%	6%	2%
The war in Afghanistan	42%	44%	12%	3%
Taxes	60%	32%	6%	1%

18. Which of these is the **most** important issue for you?

The war in Iraq	1%
The economy	36%
Immigration	6%
The environment	5%
Terrorism	6%
Gay rights	3%
Education	7%
Health care	14%
Social security	10%
The budget deficit	7%
The war in Afghanistan	1%
Taxes	3%

19. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

Strongly approve .....	20%
Somewhat approve .....	30%
Somewhat disapprove .....	14%
Strongly disapprove .....	29%
Not sure .....	7%

20. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

Strongly approve .....	2%
Somewhat approve .....	14%
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	13%
Somewhat disapprove .....	25%
Strongly disapprove .....	39%
Not sure .....	7%

21. If the 2010 elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

	Republican	Lean Republican	Lean Democrat	Democrat	Not Sure
Registered Voters (N = 707)	36%	5%	6%	42%	11%
All Respondents	31%	5%	7%	38%	19%

22. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction .....	37%
Off on the wrong track .....	49%
Not sure .....	14%

**23. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?**

Getting better .....	29%
About the same .....	34%
Getting worse .....	31%
Not sure .....	6%

**24. Would you say that you and your family are...**

Better off financially than you were a year ago .....	12%
About the same financially as you were a year ago .....	41%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago .....	44%
Not sure .....	3%

**25. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?**

Higher .....	26%
About the same .....	33%
Lower .....	21%
Not sure .....	20%

26. Which of these words would you use to describe Barack Obama?

	Yes	No Opinion	No
Honest	36%	34%	30%
Intelligent	64%	26%	10%
Religious	14%	55%	30%
Inspiring	39%	41%	20%
Patriotic	36%	38%	26%
Strong	38%	47%	15%
Bold	42%	45%	13%
Experienced	15%	43%	42%
Sincere	39%	34%	27%
Partisan	23%	55%	22%
Effective	29%	44%	26%
Unifying	20%	47%	33%
In Touch	29%	42%	29%
Realistic	34%	37%	30%
Decisive	31%	48%	21%

27. Would you say Barack Obama is...

Very liberal .....	29%
Liberal .....	19%
Moderate .....	27%
Conservative .....	4%
Very conservative .....	1%
Not sure .....	20%

28. Do you think Barack Obama...

Says what he believes .....	50%
Says what he thinks people want to hear .....	50%



29. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like Barack Obama as a person?

Like a lot .....	40%
Like somewhat .....	26%
Dislike .....	21%
Not sure .....	14%